



UB Highlights

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News & Events for February 15-28, 2018

Engineers Day 2018

Monday, February 19, 4 - 7 p.m.

Faculty, staff, and family are invited to UB's inaugural Engineers Day, which will take place in the John C. Cox Student Center Social Room. Hands-on activities and demonstrations are sure to delight your budding scientists, mathematicians and engineers. UB students recently participated in the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program (SSEP). One of UB's spaceflight experiments – designed by a biology undergraduate team and mentored by Dr. Isaac Macwan—will be delivered to the International Space Station (ISS) this spring for experimentation on the ISS and at UB. In recognition of that honor, children from area schools were invited to design a "mission patch." The two winning art patches will be announced at 6 p.m.



Children's Preventive Health Day

Monday, February 19, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For this date only, there will be a reduced fee of \$20 for evaluation appointments with any of the following services: dental hygiene, naturopathic medicine, chiropractic, and acupuncture/traditional Chinese medicine. Assessments will be conducted for newborns and kids up to 18. Call (203) 576-4349 to schedule an appointment at this event.



Transfer Tuesday

Tuesday, February 20, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Students planning to transfer to UB are invited to a session that will maximize the transfer experience. Beginning on the 6th floor of Wahlstrom Library, activities will include an application workshop, on-the-spot transfer credit evaluations, and campus tours. Students should bring unofficial transcripts from each institution attended and proof of high school graduation. For more information and to register: http://www.bridgeport.edu/event/transfer-tuesday/?instance_id=2437

Purple Knights

Home Athletic Events

February 15-28, 2018

Men's Basketball

Feb. 17 (Sat.), 3 p.m. Mercy @ Hubbell Gym

Feb. 21 (Wed.), 7 p.m. Molloy @ Hubbell Gym

Women's Basketball

Feb. 17 (Sat.), 1 p.m. Mercy @ Hubbell Gym

Feb. 21 (Wed.), 5 p.m. Molloy @ Hubbell Gym

Women's Lacrosse

Feb. 28 (Wed.), 3 p.m. New Haven @ Knights Field

Academic Advising Center & Student Support Services

The Academic Advising Center (AAC) and Student Support Services (SSS), located on the 5th floor of Wahlstrom Library, offer information sessions and workshops for students. The following will be held in Wahlstrom 500C, from 12:20-1:20 p.m.:

- **Study Skills: Maximize Your Study Potential with Important Academic Strategies.** Tuesday, February 20

Executive Speaker Series/ Student Entrepreneur Showcase

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The Ernest C. Trefz School of Business is presenting an evening of inspiration and innovation in the Jacobson Lecture Hall (Mandeville 104). While free and open to all, please RSVP to ezoppi@bridgeport.edu if you'd like to attend.

- Enjoy light refreshments as the SEC showcases its student-entrepreneurs as they present their original business ideas. **5-6 p.m.**
- **Vincencia Adusei, '02, '05 (MBA)**, president of VASE Management, LLC, will speak about her career as an entrepreneur in the construction industry. **6-7 p.m.**
- SEC showcase continues. **7-8 p.m.**



Necessary Voices

Thursday, February 22, 4:30 p.m.

Dr. Khalilah Brown-Dean, associate professor of political science at Quinnipiac University, author, and political analyst will present, "A Letter To the Free: Reimagining Justice and Democracy in the Trump Era." Dr. Brown-Dean was included in *Connecticut Magazine's* "40 under 40," and is a commentator for the *New York Times*, the Congressional Black Caucus, NPR, CNN, the *Wall Street Journal*, *Crisis Magazine*, and *Fox News Radio*. The lecture will take place in the Jacobson Lecture Hall (Mandeville 104).



Faculty Meet and Greet

Monday, February 26, 5:30 - 7 p.m.

The Ernest C. Trefz School of Business is offering a faculty meet and greet for prospective graduate students to come and network with faculty members and the dean. An informational panel-led discussion will also be featured. Prospective students interested in the following programs are welcome to attend: MBA (online and on-campus), M.S. Finance, and M.S. Analytics and Systems. This event will take place in the Jacobson Lecture Hall (Mandeville 104). Register here: <https://admissions.bridgeport.edu/register/?id=2581cc6e-e339-44e7-b251-d47094101363>.

Administrative Appointments

Michael Giampaoli has been named Assistant Provost, University Registrar. In his role as Registrar, Giampaoli will continue to provide quality customer service in a consistent and friendly manner to the University of Bridgeport community. As Assistant Provost, he will contribute to University strategy.

Dr. Tim Raynor has been named Dean of the School of Professional Studies. In this new interim role, Raynor will pick up where Michael Giampaoli left off -- serving the public by facilitating access to the University's knowledge and resources through credit and noncredit courses, and aiding adult lifelong learners to become more competitive, improve their earning power, and enrich their lives.

Commencement Application Deadline:

Applications for graduation must be received by the Registrar's Office no later than **Thursday, February 15.**

Click here for more information and to apply:
UB website: <https://commencement.bridgeport.edu/>

Additional information can be found here:
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/ubspecialevents/>
E-mail: ubcommencement@bridgeport.edu

Save the Dates

Saturday, May 5, 2018 – Commencement

Sunday, May 6, 2018 – Division of Health Sciences
Commencement

Information Sessions

Register online and find more information about the following in the Events section at www.bridgeport.edu:

Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine (ND) program
Wahlstrom Library, Discovery Pavilion, **Monday, February 19, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Fones School of Dental Hygiene
Health Sciences Center, 5th floor, @ 60 Lafayette Street, **Monday, February 19, 4-6 p.m.**

Doctor of Health Sciences Online, Online webinar,
Wednesday, February 28, 3:30 - 4 p.m.

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI

ARTS & SCIENCES

Melissa Salguero, '15, received the 2018 Grammy Foundation Music Educator Award on January 25. Chosen from a national field, she was honored at the Grammy Foundation's ceremony as well as at the Grammy Awards ceremony. Her former advisor, Frank Martignetti, was in attendance.

ENGINEERING

Reem Alattas, Ph.D. candidate and UB student entrepreneur-inventor of a next-generation bike helmet advanced to the "Field of 32" semifinalists at Student Startup Madness (SSM). The high-visibility, high-octane competition for inventors is held at South by Southwest (SXSW), an annual celebration of tech-innovation that draws tens of thousands to San Antonio each March.

FACULTY & STAFF

ENGINEERING

Prabir Patra, professor and founding chair of biomedical engineering, and professor of mechanical engineering, has recently become a visiting professor at the Department of Genetics and Stem Cell Center at the Yale School of Medicine, Yale University. There, he will be conducting research on interfacing nanotechnology and the human brain – work that will someday enable fundamental understanding of brain-related issues.

FONES SCHOOL OF DENTAL HYGIENE

Laurel Risom, clinical associate professor, was featured in the "Ask the Experts" section of *WalletHub's* online article, "2018's States with the Best & Worst Dental Health" on February 1. The full article can be read here: <https://wallethub.com/edu/states-with-best-worst-dental-health/31498/#laurel-l-risom>.

International Space Station Experiments

UB announced on January 2 that a research project by two UB biology students -- **Feissal Djoule** and **Emily Juliano**, both seniors -- had been selected for the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program (SSEP), and will be conducted on the International Space Station (ISS) in 2018. The research from UB, "The Effect of Microgravity on Nanoparticle-Cellular Interaction," aims to increase our understanding of the effects of space flight on the biological processes essential to human health.

Djoule and Juliano were advised by **Dr. Isaac G. Macwan**, a research associate at UB's Department of Biomedical Engineering. The project is being funded by a grant from the NASA Connecticut Space Grant Consortium, UB, and donations from the community. <https://news.bridgeport.edu/news-releases/biology-students-research-chosen-for-international-space-station-experiments/>

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Debra Kirouac at UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu.